Be Sure You're Right, Then Go Ahead

Be sure you're right, then go ahead,
Make this your motto, boys,
And fewer clouds will o'er you spread
To shadow life's fair joys;
There's naught that's great but may be won,
Of this I will remind you,
And when your eyes are on the sun,
The shadows lie behind you.
Be slow 'till doubts have all an end.
Then on, nor stop to rest.
For Providence will e'er befriend
The man who does his best;
Ah, many are the traps and snares
That lie on every side.
But when you're right you'll know no cares
Or fear whate'er betide.

Chorus
Be sure you're right, then go ahead,
My boys, oh, ne'er despond:
Be sure you're right, then go ahead.
Success lies just beyond.

Be sure you're right, then go ahead
With heart and conscience true,
You'll on the path of right be led.
And heaven will prosper you;
What though your station lowly be?
A purpose placed you there,
Which, though your earthly eyes can't see,
Shows wisdom everywhere.
Let slander wound you all it, can.
The truth it cannot slay,
Fear not, my boys, an honest man
Is open as the day;
Act but your part as to your sight
The better course appears,
Walk in the right, and joy shall light
The skies of future years.-Chorus.